



**California Department of Parks and Recreation**  
**Office of Grants and Local Services**  
**WHAT'S NEW?**  
**January 2008**

**Reminder – Grants with a June 30, 2008 Liquidation Date**

This is an important reminder that the project performance period for the following programs will expire on June 30, 2008:

| <u>Date of Appropriation</u> | <u>Funding Source</u>                                                       | <u>Program</u> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| 2000/01                      | 2000 Parks Bond Act - 2000 Parks Bond Act Per Capita                        |                |
| 2000/01                      | 2000 Parks Bond Act - Murray Hayden Urban Program (Legislatively Specified) |                |
| 2000/01                      | 2000 Parks Bond Act - National Marine Sanctuaries                           |                |
| 2000/01                      | 2000 Parks Bond Act - Non Motorized Trails, Comp. 2000 Bond                 |                |
| 2000/01                      | 2000 Parks Bond Act - Non Motorized Trails, SG, 2000 Bond                   |                |
| 2000/01                      | 2000 Parks Bond Act - Specified Grants                                      |                |
| 2000/01                      | 2000 Parks Bond Act - State Park System to Local Agency Huntington Beach    |                |
| 2000/01                      | 2000 Parks Bond Act - Youth Soccer/Baseball                                 |                |
| 2000/01                      | 2000 Parks Bond Act - Zoos and Aquariums                                    |                |
| 2003/04                      | Habitat Conservation Fund                                                   |                |
| 2003/04                      | Land and Water Conservation Fund                                            |                |
| 2004/05                      | Natural Resources Infrastructure                                            |                |
| 2000/01                      | Prop 13, 2000 Water Bond - River Protection Subaccount                      |                |
| 2001/02                      | Recreational Trails Program - Recreational Trails Program                   |                |

**The projects must be complete and all project completion documents submitted to the Office of Grants and Local Services (OGALS) no later than March 31, 2008.** Submitting all documents by this date will ensure that there is sufficient time to resolve any issues, allow for final project inspection, and to process the final payment request. Unfortunately, OGALS cannot guarantee that final payment requests will be processed through the State Controller's Office if project completion packets are received **after** March 31, 2008. Please contact your Project Officer without delay if you believe that you cannot meet this deadline.

In addition, effective immediately, advance payment requests will not be approved for these projects because the liquidation date for their associated contracts are less than six months away.

## **Land and Water Conservation Fund Program (LWCF)**

As a reminder, the application deadline for the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program (LWCF) is **Monday, March 3, 2008**. The LWCF program provides matching grants for acquisition or development of lands and facilities that provide or support public outdoor recreation. Local units of government, including cities, counties, and districts that are authorized to acquire, develop, operate and maintain park and recreation areas are eligible to apply.

As of the date of this letter, the amount of the State's apportionment for this year is still unknown. Once OGALS receives information about the apportionment amount, it will post this information on its website immediately. Regardless of the timing of funding approval notification, LWCF applications must be postmarked or delivered to OGALS, no later than **Monday, March 3, 2008**.

For this application cycle, OGALS instructs applicants to use the LWCF Procedural Guide with the notation, "[Revised September 2007.](#)" The format of the guide has recently changed and contains updated information; the criteria section has not changed.

## **Recreational Trails Program (RTP)**

### 2008 Technical Assistance Workshops

OGALS is sponsoring another series of technical assistance workshops for eligible RTP applicants. Eligible applicants are cities, counties, districts, state agencies, federal agencies and nonprofit organizations with management responsibilities over public lands. OGALS revised the 2008 RTP workshop format from prior years to address all participant needs.

Each workshop will include a morning classroom session outlining the RTP grant requirements and a choice of three concurrent afternoon sessions. Participants will select an afternoon topic according to their interest, which includes a non-motorized soft-surface trail session (similar to prior years), a new motorized trail session and a new paved trail session.

The motorized and non-motorized sessions will take place in an outdoor hiking environment; participants are encouraged to bring appropriate footwear and clothing. The paved trail session will take place in the classroom.

Keep in mind that each attendee will only be able to attend one of the afternoon sessions. Agencies and organizations that have an interest in more than one afternoon session will need to send additional participants to attend each session.

RTP Technical Assistance Workshop dates and locations include the following:

| <b>RTP Workshop Dates</b> | <b>RTP Workshop Locations</b> |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Wed., March 5, 2008       | Folsom area                   |
| Tues., March 25, 2008     | Milpitas area                 |
| Wed., March 26, 2008      | Fresno area                   |
| Tues., April 15, 2008     | Malibu area                   |
| Wed., April 16, 2008      | Lake Perris area              |
| Thurs., April 24, 2008    | Redding area                  |
| Wed., May 28, 2008        | San Diego area                |

There is no cost to attend the RTP workshop. However, RSVPs are required. Registrants can send RSVPs to Melinda Steinert at [msteinert@parks.ca.gov](mailto:msteinert@parks.ca.gov) or Jean Lacher at [jlach@parks.ca.gov](mailto:jlach@parks.ca.gov). OGALS will post additional information [here](#).

### **Habitat Conservation Fund Program (HCF)**

#### 2008 Technical Assistance Workshops

OGALS is once again sponsoring a series of technical assistance workshops for potential HCF applicants. Eligible applicants are cities, counties, cities and counties, or districts as specified in the HCF procedural guide. The workshop format will be similar to last year. In addition to capital outlay projects, HCF can provide funds for programs that bring urban residents into wildlife areas. Agencies may wish to send staff with recreational programming background to these workshops, in addition to capital outlay/grant writing staff. All HCF workshops will take place in a classroom setting during morning hours only.

HCF Technical Assistance Workshop dates and locations include the following:

| <b>HCF Workshop Dates</b> | <b>HCF Workshop Locations</b> |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Tues., March 11, 2008     | Glendale area                 |
| Wed., March 12, 2008      | Riverside area                |
| Thurs., March 13, 2008    | Santa Ana area                |
| Fri., March 14, 2008      | San Diego area                |
| Wed., March 19, 2008      | Sacramento area               |
| Tues., April 8, 2008      | San Luis Obispo               |
| Wed., April 9, 2008       | Fresno area                   |
| Thurs., April 10, 2008    | East Bay area                 |

There is no cost to attend an HCF workshop. However, RSVPs are required. Registrants can send RSVPs to Melinda Steinert at [msteinert@parks.ca.gov](mailto:msteinert@parks.ca.gov) or Deborah Viney at [dvine@parks.ca.gov](mailto:dvine@parks.ca.gov). OGALS will post additional information [here](#).

You will notice that these workshops are taking place over the same time period. While we would have preferred to combine the workshops for both grant programs into one, it was not practicable because of the staffing and location requirements of each workshop.

We look forward to working with you to increase park and recreation opportunities throughout California. If you have any questions about the information above or any current, active project, please contact your Office of Grants and Local Services Project Officer. A list of all Project Officers can be found [here](#).